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Treasury Secretary Humphrey today announced the appointment of a career official, Henry J. Holtzclaw, as Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Mr. Holtzclaw has served in the Bureau since 1917. He became Assistant Director in 1949, Associate Director in 1950, and Acting Director upon the retirement last November 1 of Alvin W. Hall as head of the Bureau.

"The appointment of Mr. Holtzclaw as successor to Mr. Hall is well-earned recognition of excellent service by a Government career man," Secretary Humphrey said.

Mr. Holtzclaw entered the Bureau's employ in 1917 as a skilled helper and was promoted successively to draftsman, engineering draftsman, associate mechanical engineer, mechanical expert and designer, and chief, research and development engineering. He then was appointed Assistant Director.

Throughout his service to the Bureau Mr. Holtzclaw has made important contributions to its work, particularly in programs of modernization of equipment and procedures and the effecting of operating economies.

Activities of the Bureau for which he becomes responsible include the design and production of currency, securities, postage and revenue stamps, Government checks, Military commissions and certificates, and other engraved work for the various Government agencies, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and insular possessions of the United States.

Mr. Holtzclaw was born November 28, 1896, in Fauquier County, Virginia. He has been a full member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers since 1933.

His home is at 2231 Sudbury Road, Northwest.